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Dear Sir:

**Re: United States Patent Application Serial No. 09/970,085  
For: VACUUM CLEANER UTILIZING ELECTROSTATIC FILTRATION AND  
ELECTROSTATIC...  
Filed: October 4, 2001  
Applicant: CONRAD et al  
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In accordance with 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98, and in recognition of the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 CFR 1.56, the applicant hereby submits an Information Disclosure Statement including a listing of patents of which the applicant is aware. In accordance with the requirements of 1.97(b)(1) and (3), this Information Disclosure Statement is filed within three months of the filing date of the application or before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits, whichever event occurs last.

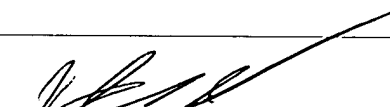
**(A) List of References**

A list of the patents and other publications of which the applicant is aware is set out in the attached PTO Form 1449 which is attached hereto.

**(B) Copies of References**

The applicant has attached hereto a copy of each of the references referred to in PTO Form 1449.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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